

# AKVIS Coloriage v 1.2

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## System requirements

Pentium III

296 MB of RAM, 15 MB of free space on the hard disk.

Photo editor supporting plug-ins such as Adobe Photoshop, Photoshop Elements, Corel Paint-Pro, or Jasc Paint Shop Pro.

Windows 98, Windows Me, Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows NT 4.0.

## Overview

Coloriage is one of the most entertaining plug-ins that I have ever used. It is easy to use, and allows you to unlock some serious creativity. If you have some black and white photos (or even some very boring color ones you would like to improve), Coloriage is a great way to make them have the hand color treatment that you get from a professional artist.

Using this program from Akvis, you will be able to give your images a "hand painted" look through the use of a built-in color palette. Once you have your image in your plug-in capable editor, bring up the Coloriage plug-in. Once open, you will see a user friendly window with options for coloring your image. The key with the successful use of this plug-in is not to hurry. Take your time and plan out where you want your color to be. Otherwise, you will get some very peculiar results. For instance, if you don't remember to put white in the eye of a person you are coloring, the whole eye will be whatever color you made the iris.

Not only can you colorize black and white images, you can also do color replacement effortlessly. This is wonderful because in Photoshop, this is not always such an easy task. If someone is wearing a shirt that is the wrong color for the composition, you can change it.

I found myself playing around with this using the layers and masks in Photoshop, and I got some amazing results. This program is wonderful, fun and is very creative. You will have a blast using it.